IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS BEAUMONT DIVISION

THADIOUS JACKSON,

Plaintiff,

VS.

No. 1:24-CV-322 JUDGE MICHAEL J. TRUNCALE

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,

Defendant.

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION AND GRANTING APPLICATION FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES

Before the Court is the Plaintiff's Application for Attorney Fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412. [Dkt. 24.] The Commissioner filed a response stating he is unopposed to the requested fee. [Dkt. 25.] Judge Stetson recommended that the Court grant the Plaintiff's application, and neither party filed objections to her Report and Recommendation. It is therefore

ORDERED that the Report and Recommendation Regarding Attorney Fees is ADOPTED.

It is further

ORDERED that the Plaintiff's application for attorney's fees [dkt. 24] is GRANTED and the Commissioner of Social Security shall pay Thadious Jackson, in care of his attorney, George C. Piemonte, an attorney fee in the amount of \$4,407.17. This amount includes fees and compensation for 17.5 hours of service at \$125.00 per hour, plus an adjustment for increased costs of living consistent with the Consumer Price Index for the relevant time periods making the final hourly rate \$251.84. The court directs that the award be mailed to Thadious Jackson, in care of his attorney, George C. Piemonte, at his office address, The Piemonte Law Firm, P.O. Box 669468, Charlotte, NC 28266. It is further

ORDERED that this award is subject to any beneficial, contractual and/or assignment-based interests held by the Plaintiff's attorney. If successful at the administrative level, the Plaintiff is granted an extension of sixty days from receipt of the Notice of Award from the Social Security Administration to file a motion for attorney's fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b).

SIGNED this 14th day of August, 2025.

Michael J. Truncale

United States District Judge